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SUBJECT:PROPOSED HANDICAPPED REHABILITATION PROJECT-GUINEA

REFS: (A) STATE 234481; (B) CONAKRY 1655

1. INTERNATIONAL EYE FOUNDATION (IEF) HAS RECEIVED OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM GOG (THROUGH ITS WASHINGTON EMBASSY) FOR VISIT OF THREE-MAN DELEGATION TO GUINEA IN MAY TO DISCUSS POSSIBILITIES OF COOPERATION IN FIELD OF REHABILITATION OF BLIND AND DEAF. THIS IS THE FOLLOW-UP TO DISCUSSIONS INITIATED DURING CONDE-CURTIS IV GRANT TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON JULY-AUGUST LAST YEAR. DELEGATION WOULD BE FINANCED BY IEF PRIVATE SOURCES.

2. IEF IS PREPARED SEND TEAM ONLY IF EMBASSY AGREES THAT VISIT WOULD BE USEFUL. IEF IS AWARE OF IMPORTANCE NOT RPT NOT UNDULY RAISING EXPECTATIONS OF GOG, UNAVAILABILITY OF AID AFRICA BUREAU FINANCING FOR ANY FUTURE PROJECT, AND LIMITED CAPABILITY OF EMBASSY TO PROVIDE LOGISTICAL

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SUPPORT FOR TEAM.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY'S VIEWS AND SUMMARY OF PRACTICAL PROBLEMS SUCH A MISSION LIKELY TO ENCOUNTER.

4. FYI: AID/CWR NOT RPT NOT IN FAVOR OF THIS PROPOSED VISIT, AND UNDERSTANDS THAT IEF OFFICIALS ALSO CONSIDER THEY HAVE OTHER MORE PRESSING AND VIABLE PROJECTS TO PURSUE ELSEWHERE IN AFRICA. MAJOR PUSH IS COMING FROM HEW, WHICH HOPES TO DRAW ON ACCUMULATED USG CONTROLLED SYLLI ACCOUNTS FOR PORTION OF TEAM EXPENSES AND WISHES TO INCLUDE HEW REPRESENTATIVE ON TEAM. HEW ALSO HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN FUNDING POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS FROM US SYLLI ACCOUNTS. AF/W HAS EXPLAINED TO HEW REPRESENTATIVES PRACTICAL PROBLEMS OF SYLLI ACCUMULATED ACCOUNTS USE, BUT THEIR INTEREST REMAINS HIGH. END FYI. KISSINGER

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